

July 16, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, July 16, 2012, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Karen Good, Larry Miller, Dave Tiffan, and Iris Dicks. Trustees Terry Clark and JD Kuhns were absent.

#### **Approval of Previous meeting minutes**

The regular meeting minutes of June 18, 2012, were approved as presented. The Human Resources / Finance Committee Executive Session meeting minutes and the regular meeting Executive Session meeting minutes of June 18, 2012, were approved as corrected.

#### **Village President Comments and Announcements**

- President Bernius thanked all law enforcement agencies for their work during the fair.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- K. Good enjoyed the fair. She has had people ask about putting picnic tables on the east side of the Welcome Center.
- L. Miller thought the picnic tables were a good idea but was concerned about the cost and some issues it might bring. President Bernius stated it could be done on a trial basis. L. Miller stated the State will begin cleaning ditches along Route 133 to facilitate water flow.
- I. Dicks stated that she, Bob Doan, and the Presidents of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and the Arthur Area Association of Commerce (AAAOC) met this morning. Some topics covered were Horse Progress Days in 2013, the revolving loan fund, a combined website between the EDC and the AAAOC, a TIF district, parking downtown, cigarette butts around a downtown business, and the Ameren meeting about the transmission line. She thanked the Street Department for watering the flowers. She asked about the motorized bicycles in town and motorized wheelchairs in the buggy lane; Chief Mike Goodman explained the Illinois Vehicle Code for this.
- K. Good stated the house in Meadowview is sold, and there's been an inquiry about two lots on Vine Street.
- I. Dicks asked about the water supply during the drought this summer. President Bernius stated he will do some checking.

#### **Police Chief's Report**

- President Bernius scheduled a Police Committee meeting for July 30 at 10am.

#### **Village Attorney's Report – None**

#### **Visitors' Comments**

Village employee Sue Perrine was present.

#### **Old Business**

- President Bernius stated Jeff Mercer has started a new type of therapy five days a week. He has not been fully released to go back to work.
- A Work Session meeting was scheduled for July 19 at 6pm. President Bernius stated a new employee with the appropriate sewer licenses needs to be hired before the end of August; Butch Jent is not going to renew his contract.

#### **New Business**

- President Bernius reviewed the meeting with Integrys. A decision needs to be made to put a referendum on the November ballot. There was discussion about the benefits of Integrys and some pros and cons of the program. This applies only to homeowners; there is a usage level requirement for businesses. K. Good made a motion to opt for the Utility Municipal Aggregation to be put on the November ballot in the form of a referendum partnering with the Integrys Company. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

**Approve Expenditures**

- President Bernius explained the expenditure for the EPA. K. Good made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$18,026.37. I. Dicks seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

**Adjourn**


President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

